## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 484**

## By Grills

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Leanne Parnell on her selection as the 2020–2021 Obion County Grades 5-8 Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest-quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Leanne Parnell is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parnell has been selected as the 2020–2021 Obion County Grades 5-8 Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a teacher at Black Oak Elementary School in Hornbeak, Leanne Parnell has taught in Obion County for twenty-three years; she holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, hailing from a family of educators, Mrs. Parnell has taught Title I students, fifth-grade science and social studies, fourth-grade science, seventh-grade science, eighth-grade science, and eighth-grade math; and

WHEREAS, she is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parnell serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, devoted to her family, Leanne Parnell enjoys the love and support of her husband, Shawn Parnell, and their two children, Ivey Katherine and Isaac Thomas; and

WHEREAS, Leanne Parnell truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Leanne Parnell on being chosen as the 2020–2021 Obion County Grades 5-8 Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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